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DHCD and DDOT to Dedicate \$4.4 Million in Public Street Improvements

30 Projects in Three Ward 8 Neighborhoods to Be Completed

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(WASHINGTON, DC) – The DC Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) and the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) have entered into a collaborative agreement under which they will complete up to \$4.4 million in public improvement projects on designated streets in the Congress Heights, Fairlawn and Garfield Heights neighborhoods of the District.

More than 30 projects along 15 streets have been scheduled. DHCD will make available Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding to DDOT for several improvement projects, which include pavement restoration; repair or replacement of curbs, sidewalks and gutters; and construction of wheelchair/bicycle ramps.

“In addition to preserving and producing affordable housing, revitalizing neighborhoods is another important mission of our agency” said DHCD Director Polly Donaldson. “We are pleased that under this agreement with DDOT, we can make needed improvements that will make it easier, and safer, for residents to navigate within their communities.”

“This is a great example of District government working cooperatively to enhance the quality of life for residents,” said DDOT Director Leif Dormsjo. “Thanks to our partnership with DHCD and the block grant funding we will be able to make infrastructure improvements in traditionally underserved communities.”

The following locations have been selected for improvements:

- 7th Street SE, from Congress Street to Mississippi Avenue
- 12th Place SE, from Savannah Place to Savannah Street
- 13th Street SE, from Savannah Street to Mississippi Avenue
- 18th Street SE, from Trenton Place to Mississippi Avenue
- 28th Street SE, from Naylor Road to Gainesville Street

- 30th Street SE, from Hartford Street to Buena Vista Terrace
- Bruce Place SE, from 12th Place to Jasper Place
- Bruce Place SE, from Shippen Lane to Stanton Road
- Buena Vista Terrace SE, from 30th Street to Jasper Street
- Congress Street SE, from 7th Street to Upsal Street
- Gainesville Street SE, from Alabama Avenue to Naylor Road
- Jasper Place SE, from Bruce Place to Stanton Road
- Jasper Road SE, from Robinson Place to 12th Place
- P Street SE, from 18th Street to 19th Street
- Savannah Place SE, from 12th Place to 13th Street
- Savannah Street SE, from 4th Street to 6th Street
- Savannah Street SE, from Congress Street to 15th Place
- Savannah Street SE, from 21st Street to 22nd Street
- Savannah Terrace SE, dead end to 23rd Street

The CDBG program, administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), is a flexible program that provides communities with resources to address their development needs. The District received an allocation of \$13.7 million in CDBG grant funding for fiscal year 2016.